

REMARKS

In response to appellant's Appeal Brief, the examiner has indicated in the Examiner's Answer that claims 8, 16, 17, 22-24, and 31-33 are now allowable.

Claim 31 has been incorporated into claim 1. Thus, claims 1-5 and 26-29 should now be in condition for allowance.

Claim 8 has been incorporated into claim 6. Claim 32, which depended from claim 6 has been rewritten in independent form. Thus, claims 6, 7, 9, 10, 12-14, 30, and 32 should now be in condition for allowance.

Claim 16 has been incorporated into claim 15. Claims 17 and 33, each of which depended directly from claim 15, have been rewritten in independent form. Thus, claims 15, 17-21, and 33 should now be in condition for allowance.

Claim 22 is already in independent form with claims 23-24 depending from claim 22. Thus, claims 22-24 should now be in condition for allowance.

Thus, claims 1-7, 9-10, 12-15, 17-24, 26-30, and 32-33 remain pending in the application including independent claims 1, 6, 15, 17, 22, 32, and 33. Claims 11 and 25 were previously cancelled. Claims 8, 16, and 31 are cancelled by the present amendment.

Appellant asserts that all claims are now in condition for allowance and respectfully requests an indication of such. Fees for three additional independent claims over three (\$600.00) may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds. Applicant believes that no additional fees are necessary, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the same Deposit Account for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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